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October 11, 2016

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** MR. CLAYTON WONG, FISCAL OFFICER  
CITY COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

**FROM:** COUNCILMEMBER TREVOR OZAWA 

**SUBJECT:** NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES' ANNUAL CONFERENCE & EXPOSITION MEETING TRIP REPORT

From July 22 to July 25, I attended the National Association of Counties' (NACo) Annual Conference & Exposition meeting in Los Angeles County, California. Prior to the conference, I attended various meetings in San Diego and Los Angeles meeting with government officials and community stakeholders, conducting site visits to address the serious issue of our unaccredited zoo and discussing issues of mass transportation, traffic, and homelessness.

This is my trip report with details of my site visits and meetings with accompanying information, and my attendance at the NACo Conference.

**Site Visit/Meeting with San Diego Zoo Officials (7/17/2016)**

I met with Director of Operations of the San Diego Zoo Erika Kohler and had a great discussion about the current state of affairs at the Honolulu Zoo and the difficulties we faced in recent years. We discussed ways that the San Diego Zoo has been successful in maintaining its accreditation, increasing funding, and providing the absolute best visitor experience. We also discussed animal care and how other zoos are benefitting from the San Diego Zoo's conservation efforts. I also received a tour of the zoo and a briefing of the various programs that the zoo offer for its guests. Programs that could be beneficial to replicate include varying private tours ranging greatly in length of time, experience, and price. I visited several exhibits that had both regular viewing and separate viewing for those on a paid tour. Paid tours provide for a more immersive and interactive experience for visitors and was a great way to experience the behind-the-scenes operations. Exploring these types of programs should be something that the Honolulu Zoo considers to generate revenue and provide opportunities for greater

visitor engagement. It was great to experience a zoo that is highly regarded by so many others and sets a great example for what the Honolulu Zoo should emulate.

**Meeting with San Diego County Supervisor Greg Cox (7/18/2016)**

I had the pleasure of meeting with Supervisor Cox, who represents the First District of San Diego County on the County Board of Supervisors. Cox has served on the board since 1995 and has developed a record of being a champion on issues of public safety, planning and development, and transparency in government.

**Site Visit to Father Joe's Villages in San Diego County (7/19/2016)**

I had the pleasure of meeting with Director of Coordinated Services Paul DeLessio and Communications Specialist Yana Titova; I was provided a tour of their facility and provided an overview of their facilities, various services and programs they provide for the community. Father Joe's Villages is San Diego's largest homeless service provider and offers a wide variety of housing and services at several locations throughout San Diego County. Over 3,000 meals are served daily along with over 1,800 individuals (which includes over 780 children and over 200 military veterans) being provided a continuum of care. They provide tailored-to-client solutions to address the complex needs of each individuals, hoping to transform lives and ending the cycle of homelessness. Father Joe's Villages provides a myriad of services including a wide range of housing options, rental assistance, healthcare, food, clothing, education programs, and mental health services and programs.

**Meeting with Los Angeles County Supervisor Don Knabe (7/20/2016)**

I had the pleasure of meeting with Supervisor Knabe, who represents the Fourth District of the County of Los Angeles on the County Board of Supervisors. Having served on the board for a decade, Knabe similarly represents a very diverse constituency as myself. Knabe has developed a reputation for being a national leader on the issue of child sex trafficking and regarded as a leader in regional transportation issues as well as arts and culture programs.

**Site Visit/Meeting with Los Angeles Zoo (7/21/2016)**

I had the pleasure of meeting with Assistant Zoo Director Denise Verret and Curator of Birds Mike Maxcy. Similar to my visit to the San Diego Zoo, I used this opportunity to discuss the management successes of the Los Angeles Zoo and how they properly care for over 1,100 animals representing more than 250 different species of which 29 are endangered and over 800 different plant species with over 7,400 individual plants.

**Session: Environment, Energy and Land Use Policy Steering Committee – Subcommittee Meetings (7/22/2016)**

This session was an educational session on the lessons learned from the California drought. Speakers discussed various programs and initiatives that were implemented to deal with the drought, lessons learned from the experience, and how these lessons can help other counties deal with similar situations.

Speakers included Pablo Arroyave (U.S. Bureau of Reclamation), Felicia Marcus (State Water Resources Control Board), Cindy Tuck (Association of California Water Agencies), and David Rabbitt (Sonoma County).

#### **Large Urban County Caucus Meeting (7/23/2016)**

As an appointed member of this caucus, I had the pleasure of joining my colleagues for a meeting that included a roundtable discussion and a special film screening. The roundtable discussion focused on health, behavioral health & criminal justice system transformation in urban counties; it was moderated by Managing Editor of the California Healthline/Kaiser Health Bernard Wolfson. After the discussion, a special screening of the film *Resilience* was shown, a documentary that explores the science of Adverse Childhood Experiences and a new movement to treat and prevent toxic stress, followed by a discussion with Director and Producer James Redford.

#### **Arts and Culture Commission Meeting (7/23/2016)**

This meeting focused on the role of local arts agencies in developing local arts programming and local community and economic efforts. Speakers discussed their experiences of working with one another and various stakeholders and how other counties can replicate their success. The discussion highlighted the American for the Arts' 2015 Local Arts Agency Census. Speakers included Sofia Klatzker (Arts for LA), Laura Zucker (Los Angeles County Arts Commission), Danielle Brazell (Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs), and Jay Dick (Americans for the Arts).

#### **General Session (7/23/2016)**

Supervisor Knabe moderated a discussion with Kareem Abdul-Jabbar (Six-time NBA Champion, author, filmmaker and columnist) and Jack Dangermond, Esri Founder and President, to discuss Abdul-Jabbar's Skyhook Foundation. The Skyhook Foundation's mission is to "Give kids a shot that can't be blocked" and brings educational opportunities into under-served communities through innovative literacy programs.

#### **Session: Are You Buried In Data? Innovative Solutions to Your Knowledge Management Strategy (7/24/2016)**

This session involved learning how new technological advances and solutions, powered by cloud and open data technologies, can help analyze the intersections of people, places and events to get timely actionable insights delivered as a service, saving time and money.

#### **NACo Annual Business Meeting and Election (7/25/2016)**

This session involved the discussion of business matters pending before NACo, a preview of the upcoming year, involved the elections for the board of directors.

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## CLAIM FOR TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT

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Traveler: Councilmember Trevor Ozawa - District 4

2016

NACo Annual Conference, L.A. County (Long Beach) CA - July 22-25, 2016.

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Event:

Location: L.A. County (Long Beach) and San Diego, CA

Dates:

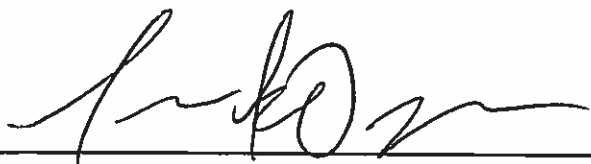
From July 22, 2016

To

July 25, 2016

| Description               | Amount                       | Notes:  |
|---------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| 1. Registration Fee       | -\$0.00                      |   |
| 2. Airfare                | -\$0.00                      |   |
| 3. Hotel                  | -\$0.00                      |   |
| 4. Meals                  | \$82.56 ✓                    | Receipts and/or Credit Card statements attached     |
| 5. Ground Transportation  | \$830.60 ✓                   | Receipt attached                                    |
| 6. Tips                   | \$6.00 ✓                     | Receipt attached                                    |
| 7. Other                  | 140.02 <del>\$448.01</del> ✓ | Receipts and/or Credit Card statements attached Gas |
| Other                     | 7.99 ✓                       | Movie on Hawaiian Airlines                          |
| Other                     | 60.00 ✓                      | 2 suitcase baggage fee                              |
| 8. Adjustment Other       | 240.00 ✓                     | Parking in San Diego & HVL                          |
| TOTAL REIMBURSEMENT Other | 15.00 <del>\$1367.14</del> ✓ | Toll  |
| Total Reimbursement       | 1382.15 ✓                    |   |

This is to certify that the above data, based upon receipts submitted to Council Administrative Support Services via a CCLTRVL02 form, is accurate. Further, I am claiming reimbursement for expenses associated with a trip in which City business was conducted and personal funds were used to advance payment:



Signature of Traveler

10/20/16  
Date